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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (97-5236)

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, NEW YORK (105-101890) (P)

SUBJECT: BIAFRAN RELIEF SERVICES FOUNDATION *u*
RA - BIAFRA

DATE: 1/30/70

ReNYlet and LHM dated 12/4/69 and WFO letter to the Bureau and New York dated 10/31/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 6 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above, at New York, one copy being designated for Bufile 97-5198. *u*

In view of the withdrawal by Biafra of any claim to international recognition as a sovereign state and its reunion with Nigeria, the NYO requests that Bureau contact Department and determine whether continuing investigation is desired of this organization under this character. *u*

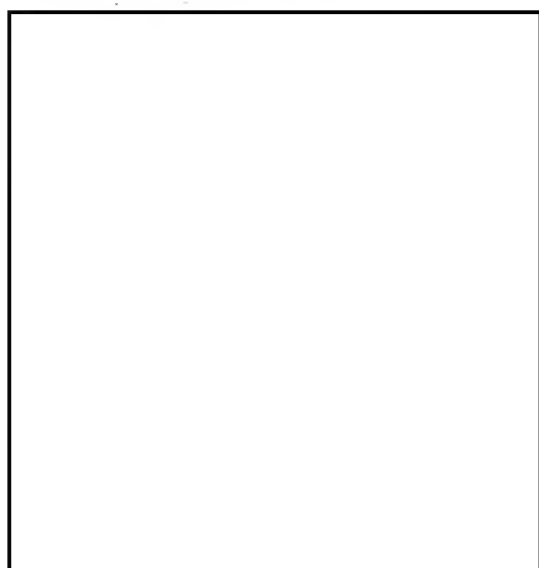
The "American Committee to Keep Biafra Alive; RA-Biafra" is subject of Bufile 97-5198, closed NY file 105-99031. *u*

SA PATRICK W. HIGGINS conducted the pretext interview of 1/27/70. Pretext utilized was that of former contributor to captioned organization. *u*

Identities of confidential sources, mentioned in enclosed LHM, are hereinafter set forth. All were contacted by SA PATRICK W. HIGGINS. *u*

Identity of Source

Date Contacted



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New York, New York
January 30, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Biafran Relief Services Foundation
Registration Act - Biafra

On September 29, 1969, the Late City Edition of "The New York Times", a daily New York City newspaper, contained an advertisement for "An Evening for Biafra", to be held October 15, 1969, at Philharmonic Hall, Lincoln Center, New York. It set forth that all checks or money orders should be mailed to "An Evening for Biafra", 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, New York 10017. It was further noted that those sending checks or money orders should make them payable to either Biafran Relief Services Foundation or American Committee to Keep Biafra Alive, Incorporated. It set forth that purchasers of \$50 tickets would also be entitled to an invitation to a private reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alan J. Freedman.

This advertisement set forth that Senator Eugene J. Mc Carthy, Herman Badillo, and Dr. Ifegwu Eke, Commissioner for Information, Republic of Biafra, were all to speak on behalf of Biafra.

The Honorary Chiarmman for "An Evening for Biafra" was Mrs. John V. Lindsay. A partial listing of the Honorary Committee is hereinafter set forth:

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Mr. and Mrs. Alan Alda
Woody Allen
Mrs. Donatus U. Anyanwu
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Badillo
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Philharmonic Hall

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* partly tax-deductible

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777 United Nations Plaza

New York, New York 10017

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APPENDIX

BIAFRAN RELIEF
SERVICES FOUNDATION

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**ON A DAY WHEN MANY
AMERICANS ARE THINKING
ABOUT ANOTHER WAR,
SPEND AN**

**EVENING
CONCERT
BIAFRA**

with

SEN. EUGENE McCARTHY



"It's time to reexamine our policy of 'One Nigeria', which has resulted in our accepting the deaths of a million people as the price for preserving a nation that never existed.

"The pattern of American diplomacy in this area is a familiar one, not very different from that in Vietnam. It began with misconception, was followed by self-justification, and is ending in tragedy."

May 16, 1969, Senator
Eugene McCarthy

and

B. B. KING

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Dr. Ifegwu Eke
(Biafran Minister of
Information)

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